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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF: Masahiko SATOH

SERIAL NO: 10/625,510

GAU: 2852

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EXAMINER: NGO, HOANG X.

FOR: FIXING APPARATUS AND IMAGE-FORMING DEVICE

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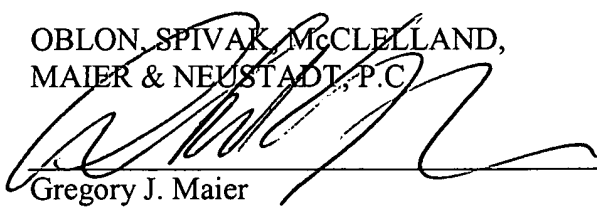
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